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TROOP MOVEMENT
DONG HOI AREA, NORTH VIETNAM
1729N 10634E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BOARD DEPICTS A LARGE NUMBER OF TROOPS MOVING SOUTH IN THE DONG HOI AREA.

2. LOCATION:

3.8 NM NW OF DONG HOI AT UTM XE666348.

3. MISSION READOUT:

BUMPY ACTION MISSION Q878, 24 DECEMBER 1968, REVEALS TWO COLUMNS OF TROOPS CONSISTING OF 611 PERSONNEL MOVING TO THE SOUTH ON TWO TRAILS IN THE VICINITY OF ROUTE 1042. ONE COLUMN EXTENDS FROM XE679346 TO XE661355 AND THE SECOND COLUMN EXTENDS FROM XE662346 TO XE658350. A POSSIBLE MORTAR TRAINING RANGE IS LOCATED AT XE660358 AND NUMEROUS UNDERGROUND BUNKERS ARE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

4. REMARKS:

THE PRESENCE OF THE POSSIBLE MORTAR TRAINING RANGE AND THE NUMEROUS BUNKERS TENDS TO INDICATE THAT THE AREA IS A TRAINING/REST AREA FOR TROOPS.

5. COMMENTS:

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REVEALED AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF TROOPS MOVING ON KNOWN INFILTRATION ROUTES IN THE PANHANDLE AREA OF VIETNAM. WHETHER THIS IS A RESULT OF AN INCREASE IN THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF INFILTRATION TROOPS OR ONLY A CHANGE FROM NIGHT TO DAY UNCONCEALED MOVEMENT CANNOT BE DETERMINED.

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MAP REFERENCE: AMS SERIES L7014, SHEETS 6343 IV AND 6344 III

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